

SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, October 2, 2024, at 6:00pm

Hybrid Meeting:

In-Person: St. Francis Room (2nd Floor) Catholic Education Centre

Online: [Join the meeting now](#)

WCDSB Mission Statement

*As disciples of Christ,
we educate and nurture hope
in all learners
to realize their full potential
to transform God's world.*

Co-chairs: Cindy Benedetti and Laura Shoemaker

MEMBERS

WCDSB Trustee - **Bob Sikora**

WCDSB Trustee - **Conrad Stanley**

Waterloo Regional Down Syndrome Society - **Kim Murphy**

Waterloo Regional Police - **Amanda Hennig**

Family and Children's Services of Waterloo Region - **Cindy Benedetti**

Waterloo Region Family Network - **Erin Sutherland**

Centre for ADHD Awareness - **Daina Colbourne**

International Dyslexia Association Ontario - **Laura Shoemaker**

Autism Ontario - **Monica Wenzlaff**

Member at Large - **Jeanne Gravelle**



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SEAC Committee Meeting Agenda

Date& Time:	October 2, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.
Location (Hybrid)	In-Person: St. Francis Room (2 nd Floor), Catholic Education Centre Online: Via Teams : Join the meeting now
Next Meeting:	November 6, 2024, @ 6:00 pm
Committee Members: Kim Murphy, Amanda Hennig, Cindy Benedetti, Erin Sutherland, Daina Colbourne, Laura Shoemaker, Jeanne Gravelle, Monica Wenzlaff, Bob Sikora, Conrad Stanley	
Administrative Officials: Gerald Foran, Erin Lemak	

1. Opening Prayer Welcome	Erin Lemak
2. Approval of Agenda Motion by: Seconded:	
3. Declared Pecuniary Interest	
4. Approval of the June minutes: Motion by: Seconded:	
School System Operational Business 5.1. Student Achievement Plan (SAP) Update 5.2. ADHD resources that are being shared with the WCDSB staff 5.2. Forward Together in Christ	J. Ritsma K. Roberts E. Lemak T. Dowling
6. Ministry Updates (10 min)	
7. SEAC Committee Functions 7.1. Motion to approve Special Education Plan 7.1. Remind members to share dates that are important for their organizations so that we can share with WCDSB staff.	Committee Chair G. Foran
8. Policy Advice to the Board	
9. Updates	
10. Pending Items	



11. Adjournment Motion by: Seconded:	
12. Action Items Place Holder	



SEAC Committee Meeting Minutes

Date& Time:	September 4, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.
Location (Hybrid)	In-Person: St. Francis Room (2 nd Floor), Catholic Education Centre Online: Via Teams Join the meeting
Next Meeting:	October 2, 2024, @ 6:00 pm
Committee Members: Kim Murphy, Amanda Hennig, Cindy Benedetti, Erin Sutherland, Daina Colbourne, Laura Shoemaker, Jeanne Gravelle, Monica Wenzlaff, Bob Sikora, Conrad Stanley	
Administrative Officials: Gerald Foran, Erin Lemak	
Regrets: Jeanne Gravelle, Kim Murphy, Amada Hennig; Daina Colbourne	

1. Opening Prayer Welcome	Erin Lemak
2. Approval of Agenda Motion by: Erin Sutherland Seconded: Monica Wenzlaff	
3. Declared Pecuniary Interest N/A	
4. Approval of the June minutes: Motion by: Cindy Benedetti Seconded: Erin Sutherland	
School System Operational Business	
5.1. Special Education Plan 2024-2025 • Information about updates to the last year’s plan.	G. Foran
5.2. PD Day Agenda	
5.3 Professional Development for 2024/2025	G. Foran
5.4 Topics for the next year • Presentation list to be based on the responses that were gathered from the survey completed by the committee members.	G. Foran/E. Lemak
6. Ministry Updates (10 min)	
6.1. Bruce-Grey Catholic District School Board letter to the Minister of Education regarding need for increased funding to support students with complex needs in our educational system.	G. Foran
7. SEAC Committee Functions	
7.1. Sacramental preparation for students with special needs.	E. Lemak



<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Members agreed to allocate one meeting to plan for this event. <p>7.2. Ministry Survey: Equipping students with practical life skills</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Members had the opportunity complete the survey. <p>7.3. Supporting Organizations represented by the SEAC Committee members</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussed the plan to recognize and promote the important dates of the organizations that are represented by the SEAC Committee members Members are to share these dates and WCDSB team will be responsible to recognize them through our social media, weekly communications and monthly meetings with Administrators We will be creating the calendar with all the important dates and sharing with WCDSB Communication Officer. All organizations to receive the equal opportunity to be recognized 	<p>G. Foran</p>
<p>8. Policy Advice to the Board N/A</p>	
<p>9. Updates</p> <p>9.1. WRFN</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On The House - is a FREE dinner out for two with care provided for dependents on Monday, September 30th FLYER School Navigation Workshops Camp 2024 Flyer <p>9.2. Autism Ontario Sign Up for the newsletter - Monthly Newsletter</p> <p>9.3. Trustee Updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chair Sikora updated SEAC on the Project Search Graduation event. 	
<p>10. Pending Items N/A</p>	
<p>11. Adjournment Motion by: Erin Sutherland Seconded: Monica Wenzlaff</p>	
<p>12. Action Items Place Holder N/A</p>	